

Egypt a Contrast of Ancient, Modern Civilizations

(King Williams, co-publisher of the HERALD writes today of impressions gained during a visit to Egypt with other publishers as a study mission under the sponsorship of the National Editorial Assn. Williams has previously written from Portugal, Spain, and Italy.)

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The Sphinx looks out on a rapidly changing Egypt and a Cairo that is the headquarters of Nasser and the United Arab Republic, a personality and a movement

that will continue for some time to play an important role in affairs of the Middle East, Africa and the world at large.

As this is being written, representatives of the so-called neutralist nations, ranging in color from blond Norsemen to blackest Africans, will be gathering to form bonds of mutual aid that certainly will be a factor in the United Nations and a bargaining bloc in the play of power between the free and communist worlds.

It would be naive to suggest that the United Arab Republics all that the name implies, because there are many unsolved problems and animosities persistent

among its membership of independent or about to be independent states of Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Lybia, Lebanon, Morocco, and Tunisia. But, from a reserved seat look during our newspaper study mission in Cairo, we saw impressive evidence of some very dedicated progress toward the first objective of the League formed in 1945—"to strengthen ties between Arab states and to coordinate their political activities."

Plagued by an economy familiar to the histories of most underdeveloped countries, with a very wealthy few and an impoverished many, Egypt threw out the

last of her kings in 1952 and established a "democratic state" with a provisional constitution and with former army officers in many of the most important offices of the government. The masses did not rise and the military coup was accomplished swiftly and efficiently.

The new order set about nationalizing industry and reducing to a minimum the vast holdings of French and English interests. Today, no individual may own more than 200 acres of land and all financing is government controlled since absorption of the Bank of Egypt in 1960.

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COUNCIL SPLITS OVER TAX CUT

A Penny for your Thoughts

After Mrs. Freida Smith called the HERALD seeking employment for her husband, Len, who has been out of work since October and food for their three babies, Len Smith and four other people were asked this question: "What could be done to get immediate financial help and eventually jobs for persons in this condition?"

Len Smith, 406 N. Broadway, employed as a furniture refinisher, mechanic and ranch hand: "I think when people get out of work there should be a department in their city that a man could go and get help. I haven't been in the state long enough to get aid and my kids are hungry. All I want for myself is a job."

Eileen Ward, 22333 Anza, housewife: "I would suggest they get in touch with their church and minister. Never having been in that kind of a predicament, I just wouldn't know exactly what to do. I would watch all the papers for any kind of openings."

Jack Wells, 1801 E. Wardlow, in Long Beach, pharmacist: "In a lot of cases, the only thing is returning to where they originally came from. If the state would let down on their time requirement, more families would come out here. They shouldn't come out without plenty of reserve money. The Red Cross could probably give temporary help."

Surgery Fails In Effort to Save Brothers

Emergency caesarean surgery failed to save the lives of unborn twin boys late Monday evening following a two-car crash at the intersection of Normandie Ave. and Sepulveda Blvd.

The 22-year old mother, Laura Johnson, was reported in fair condition at Gardena Hospital following the surgery.

MRS. JOHNSON was a passenger in a car driven by her husband, David, 27, of 15118 Freeman Ave., Lawndale. Johnson and their two children, David, Jr., 3, and Barbara Jean, 4, were also injured.

Johnson's auto collided with a car driven by Herbert Eurtion, Jr., 29, of San Gabriel, at the intersection of Normandie Ave. and Sepulveda. Eurtion was thrown from his

car by the impact of the two autos and suffered bruises and abrasions according to police. Barbara Jean escaped with minor cuts and bruises, but her father suffered broken ribs. The boy received a broken collarbone and a concussion.

EFFORTS to save the twin boys, due to have been born in about two weeks, failed, but Mrs. Johnson, although injured, was said to be in fair condition yesterday afternoon.

Keith G. Mills, 19, of Santa Monica, was injured Monday afternoon when he was struck by a car while riding a motorcycle near the intersection of Sepulveda Blvd. and Linda Drive.

Police identified the driver of the car as Sara L. Bigelow, 40, of 4515 Vista Largo St.

MILLS WAS treated at the Little Company of Mary Hospital for head injuries and released.

A bicyclist was injured in the 3200 block of Carson St. when he was struck by a car driven by Andrew T. Flagg, 32, of 2669 Carson.

The injured cyclist is Frank Matosky, 40, of 3513 W. 225th St. He is reported in good condition at the Little Company of Mary Hospital.

Court Denies Fireman Bid

A Torrance fireman fined a week's pay by the Civil Service Commission for displaying political stickers during last year's municipal elections lost an appeal this week in court.

Judge Gordon L. Files refused to issue a writ in the matter, declaring that it was not within the court's jurisdiction "to disturb a city ruling."

Fireman Richard De Armit, who had appealed the decision of the city to the Superior Court, was told the \$125 fine levied against him would remain.



FLAG DAY CEREMONY . . . In honor of Flag Day, members of Lynn Eden's fourth, fifth, and sixth grade class at Anza School yesterday put on an assembly showing the 27 different flags that have flown over the U.S. during its history. Showing some of them (from front) are Dorothy Cranshaw, British flag; David Felix, Spanish; Karen Sellers, Dutch East India Co.; Tony Wachter, "Don't Tread on Me"; Bob Wright, "Appeal to Heaven"; Kathy McDonald, Betsy Ross's flag; Michael Michell, Confederate; and Gary Swanson, "Don't Give Up the Ship." Many similar observances were held throughout the school district. (Herald Photo)

Torrance Man, Brother Together After 53 Years

One for the books was the reunion here this week of the Unander brothers who have been separated since one left their native home in Sweden in 1908 at the age of 15.

Harold Unander, who resides here at 1536 1/2 W. 226th St., admitted he was startled when his brother Hjalmer, of Chicago, called the other day and said he was on his way out to Torrance from Los Angeles . . . and "how do I get there."

HJALMER, WHO was 14 when Harold left Sweden, has resided in Chicago since 1924, but the two had never got together.

"Except for service during World War I, I just never got out of California," Harold said.

It's the first trip west for his brother, and they are both making the most of it.

THEY HAVE already visited Knott's Berry Farm and have such popular tourist attractions as Disneyland, Marineland, and Hollywood on the agenda before Hjalmer and wife return home Monday.

Harold, who is the happy host for the reunion, is former president of the Shoe-string Strip Advisory Council for John Gibson, a position he held for three years. He also has been active in Scouts and other community affairs.

Two School Officials Receive Doctorates

Two Torrance school officials—Robert C. Morton and Richard Hubert—were awarded doctor's degrees in graduation ceremonies held last week at the University of Southern California.

Dr. Morton, assistant superintendent in charge of personnel, completed his work with a dissertation studying "Organization and Relationships of School Personnel Departments in Cities of 100,000 to 500,000 population in the United States."

DR. HUBERT, special education and research consultant, wrote on "Organization and Administration of Civil Defense in California Public Schools."

Salary Hikes Hinted; More Study Needed

At least one member of the city council is opposed to the suggestion made last week that the city's rate be reduced 10 cents per \$100 of valuation.

Councilman George Bradford, commenting on the proposal made by Nick Drale, pointed out the many capital improvements needed in the city in stating that he was "not for cutting taxes—period."

Drale's announced intention to seek the 10-cent reduction was published in the HERALD Sunday and Drale renewed his pledge to seek the cut during a hearing on the 1961-62 budget Tuesday night.

"WE HAVE a firehouse to be built on the airport plus two others to build," Bradford said after stating he was opposed to the cut. In addition, he pointed out, the city needed equipment for the new fire stations, needed to enlarge the police station, and needed more personnel and equipment for the parks and for other improvements.

"We can certainly put the money to good use," he said. "If we're saving the taxpayers' money, we should give it back to them," Drale countered.

COUNCILMAN J. A. Beasley speaking earlier during discussions of pay raises for police personnel, said it was his feeling that the city's taxpayers would rather see the police officers get a decent wage than to get the 10-cent reduction. He said many people had indicated to him that a 10-cent reduction would not mean much off the average household's tax bill.

Inspector "Bud" Walsh of the city's building department echoed Beasley's statement, saying the reduction would have no practical effect on taxes.

"I HAVE a piece of property on 190th St. on which the taxes have gone from \$195 to \$1100," Walsh told councilmen. He said his investigation showed the tax hikes could be attributed to the school district, not the city.

Drale indicated that he would renew his bid for the reduction when the full council was in session. Mayor Albert Isen and Councilmen Willys Blount and Victor Benstead were absent Tuesday.

PRIOR TO the tax-cut discussion, councilmen had heard from representatives of the police department, fire department, and miscellaneous city employees who asked raises in pay and various benefits.

Police officers are seeking an 11 per cent raise plus court time, shooting pay, and longevity pay.

Others asked for five and 10 per cent plus other benefits, including longevity.

MEMBERS OF the council who have been going over the budget submitted by City Manager George Stevens before leaving for a Federal assignment (Continued on Page 2)

Lawndale Man Dies In Cavein

A 36-year-old Lawndale man was dead Monday evening after being buried for seven hours in a construction ditch in Palos Verdes Estates.

Raul Marquez, 4588 W. 173 St., was buried while installing a sewer line in the 3400 block of Via Palomino. Frantic efforts by police and firemen to save him failed when the ditch caved in a second time.

Harold Hoffman, 23, son of the construction company, owner, was partially buried also, but he was rescued before a second slide cascaded more earth into the ditch.

The accident happened about 2 p.m. Monday afternoon, and it took firemen and police more than seven hours to reach Marquez. Loose earth twice slipped into the ditch and forced the firemen to temporarily abandon the rescue operation.

Seniors Awaiting Diplomas

Some 27,000 Torrance youngsters will leave school for their summer vacations tomorrow, although nearly half of them have signed up for the six-week summer sessions which begin on June 26.

School will be officially out Friday, with graduations of high school seniors on Thursday night and eighth graders on Wednesday and Thursday nights. See complete graduation lists of Torrance's four high schools on pages 10 and 11.

Slightly different hours may be in effect at many schools Friday to allow for checking-in of equipment and completion of many other activities. In such cases, notes will be sent home with children or parents otherwise notified.

Summer school sessions will begin on Monday, June 26, and will end on Friday, Aug. 4. Hours of attendance will vary at different schools, although high school sessions will be from 8 to 10 and 10 to 12.

An increase of 1800 to 2000 students is expected when school re-opens in September.

Major Retail Stores Observe Evening Hours

Major retail stores in the Torrance-South Bay area are now observing Wednesday evening shopping hours. In the Torrance-Del Amo center the Broadway Department Store, Sears and J. C. Penney head the list of stores remaining open four nights — Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday — until 9:30 p.m.

The May Co. and Newberry's along with others, are on the same evening shopping schedule in the South Bay center.